



Federal Highway Administration

Federal Transit Administration

Designation of Transportation Management Areas

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On December 29, 2022, the United States Census Bureau published a notice in the Federal Register announcing the qualifying urban areas from the 2020 Census. The FTA and FHWA are announcing that all urbanized areas (UZA) with populations greater than 200,000, as determined by the 2020 Census, are hereby identified as Transportation Management Areas (TMA). The FTA and FHWA are taking this action in compliance with the agencies' authorizing statutes. This action supersedes the agencies' previous designations of TMAs made in the Federal Register.

DATES: This notice is effective [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For FTA related questions, please contact Fleming El-Amin, Office of Planning (TPE-10), (202) 493-0316, or via email at fleming.el-amin@dot.gov, or Mark Montgomery, Office of Chief Counsel (TCC), (202) 366-1017, via email at mark.montgomery@dot.gov, Federal Transit Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Office hours for FTA are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., et., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For FHWA related questions, please contact Kenneth Petty, Office of Planning (HEPP), (202) 366-6654, or via email at kenneth.petty@dot.gov, or Michael Harkins, Office of Chief Counsel (HCC), 202-366-1523, via email at michael.harkins@dot.gov, Federal Highway Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Census Bureau's urban-rural classification is a delineation of geographical areas, identifying individual urban areas as well as the rural portion of the Nation. The resulting classification of “urban areas” is distinguishable from FHWA and FTA’s definition of “urbanized areas,” but the population data from the decennial census informs which geographical areas meet the definition of “urbanized area” for transportation planning purposes under Titles 23 and 49 of the United States Code (23 U.S.C. 101(a)(36) and 49 U.S.C. 5302(24)).

The Census Bureau defined the qualifying urban areas from the 2020 Census using the criteria published in the Federal Register on March 24, 2022 (87 FR 16706). As a result of these criteria and a decade of population and land use change, there are significant differences in the UZAs based on the 2020 Census from those based on the 2010 Census, including place names, boundary shapes, and population counts. Notably, 192 UZAs have populations over 200,000, the statutory threshold for TMA designation, including 15 UZAs that were not identified in the Federal Register on July 18, 2012 (77 FR 42354). Furthermore, 2 UZAs that were previously above 200,000 are now below the threshold (i.e., Norwich-New London, Connecticut, and Visalia, California).

Titles 23 and 49 of the United States Code (U.S.C.) (23 U.S.C. 134(k)(1)(A) and 49 U.S.C. 5303(k)(1)(A)) require the Secretary of Transportation to identify each UZA over 200,000 in population as a TMA. The UZAs that meet this threshold, as determined by the 2020 Census, are listed in the table below and are hereby identified as TMAs. For the multistate UZAs over 200,000 in population, the UZA is listed under the State with the largest share of the population; however, the TMA designation applies to the entire multistate area.

The TMAs are subject to special transportation planning and programming requirements. These requirements apply to the metropolitan planning areas that must be determined jointly by the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) and Governor, in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 134(e) and 49 U.S.C. 5303(e). The FTA and FHWA have developed a series of “Questions and Answers” related to applying 2020 Census data to urban areas and UZAs in the joint FTA and FHWA planning processes. More information can be found at:

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/census_issues/urbanized_areas_and_mpo_tma/ and <https://www.transit.dot.gov/census>.

Additional UZAs may be designated as TMAs by the Secretary of Transportation upon request of the Governor and the MPO or affected local officials. Notification of any additional TMAs will be issued through a Secretarial Memorandum to the appropriate State Governors and MPOs, not as a notice published in the Federal Register.

For example, the Governor of Texas and the Permian Basin MPO (formerly the Midland Odessa Transportation Organization) requested TMA designations in 2012 for the Midland, Texas, and the Odessa, Texas, UZAs. On July 31, 2012, the Secretary of Transportation approved the request and designated both UZAs as TMAs. Although the Midland, Texas, and Odessa, Texas, UZAs do not meet the statutory population threshold for TMA designation under the 2020 Census, FHWA and FTA continue to recognize the Midland, Texas and Odessa, Texas UZAs as TMAs due to the Secretary’s prior action.

In addition, the bi-State Lake Tahoe MPO region shall be treated as a TMA with a UZA population of 145,000 in the State of California and 65,000 in the State of Nevada, per 23 U.S.C. 134(r).

AUTHORITY: 23 U.S.C. 315, 23 U.S.C. 134(k)(1)(A), 49 U.S.C. 5303(k)(1)(A), 49 CFR 1.85(c)(19), and 49 CFR 1.91(a).

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State/Urbanized area (UZA)	UZA 2020 population	Area comparison to 2010 Census TMAs; population
Alabama: Birmingham, AL Huntsville, AL Mobile, AL Montgomery, AL State Total	774,956 329,066 321,907 254,348 1,680,277	
Alaska: Anchorage, AK State Total	249,252 249,252	
Arizona: Phoenix--Mesa--Scottsdale, AZ Tucson, AZ Phoenix West--Goodyear--Avondale, AZ State Total	3,976,313 875,441 419,946 5,271,700	Name Change. New TMA.
Arkansas: Little Rock, AR Fayetteville-Springdale--Rogers, AR--MO State Total	461,864 373,687 835,551	
California: Los Angeles--Long Beach-Anaheim, CA San Francisco--Oakland, CA San Diego, CA Riverside--San Bernardino, CA Sacramento, CA San Jose, CA Fresno, CA Mission Viejo--Lake Forest--Laguna Niguel, CA Bakersfield, CA Concord--Walnut Creek, CA Temecula--Murrieta--Menifee, CA Stockton, CA Oxnard--San Buenaventura (Ventura), CA Indio--Palm Desert--Palm Springs, CA Palmdale--Lancaster, CA Modesto, CA Victorville--Hesperia--Apple Valley, CA Antioch, CA Santa Rosa, CA Santa Clarita, CA Livermore--Pleasanton--Dublin, CA Thousand Oaks, CA Santa Barbara, CA State Total	12,237,376 3,515,933 3,070,300 2,276,703 1,946,618 1,837,446 717,589 646,843 570,235 538,583 528,991 414,847 376,117 361,075 359,559 357,301 355,816 326,205 297,329 278,031 240,381 213,986 202,197 31,669,461	Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. New TMA. New TMA.
Colorado:		

Denver--Aurora, CO Colorado Springs, CO Fort Collins, CO State Total	2,686,147 632,494 326,332 3,644,973	
Connecticut: Hartford, CT Bridgeport--Stamford, CT--NY New Haven, CT State Total	977,158 916,408 561,456 2,455,022	
Delaware: State Total	N/A	
District of Columbia: Washington--Arlington, DC--VA--MD State Total	5,174,759 5,174,759	Name Change.
Florida: Miami--Fort Lauderdale, FL Tampa--St. Petersburg, FL Orlando, FL Jacksonville, FL Bradenton--Sarasota--Venice, FL Cape Coral, FL Palm Bay--Melbourne, FL Port St. Lucie, FL Bonita Springs--Estero, FL Kissimmee--St. Cloud, FL Daytona Beach--Palm Coast--Port Orange, FL Pensacola, FL--AL Lakeland, FL Winter Haven, FL Tallahassee, FL Navarre--Miramar Beach--Destin, FL Gainesville, FL Deltona, FL State Total	6,077,522 2,783,045 1,853,896 1,247,374 779,075 599,242 510,675 437,745 425,675 418,404 402,126 390,172 277,915 253,251 252,934 226,213 213,748 210,712 17,359,724	Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. Name Change. New TMA. New TMA. New TMA.
Georgia: Atlanta, GA Augusta--Richmond County, GA--SC Savannah, GA Columbus, GA--AL Gainesville, GA State Total	4,999,259 431,480 309,466 267,746 265,218 6,273,169	New TMA.
Hawaii: Honolulu, HI State Total	853,252 853,252	Name Change.
Idaho: Boise City, ID State Total	433,180 433,180	
Illinois: Chicago, IL--IN Rockford, IL	8,671,746 276,443	

Round Lake Beach--McHenry-- Grayslake, IL--WI Peoria, IL State Total	261,835 259,781 9,469,805	
Indiana: Indianapolis, IN Fort Wayne, IN South Bend, IN--MI Evansville, IN State Total	1,699,881 335,934 278,921 206,855 2,521,591	Name Change.
Iowa: Des Moines, IA Davenport, IA--IL State Total	542,486 285,211 827,697	
Kansas: Wichita, KS State Total	500,231 500,231	
Kentucky: Louisville/Jefferson County, KY--IN Lexington-Fayette, KY State Total	974,397 315,631 1,290,028	
Louisiana: New Orleans, LA Baton Rouge, LA Shreveport, LA Lafayette, LA State Total	914,531 631,326 288,052 227,316 2,061,225	
Maine: Portland, ME State Total	205,356 205,356	
Maryland: Baltimore, MD Bel Air--Aberdeen, MD State Total	2,212,038 214,647 2,426,685	Name Change.
Massachusetts: Boston, MA--NH Worcester, MA--CT Springfield, MA--CT Barnstable Town, MA State Total	4,382,009 482,085 442,145 303,269 5,609,508	Name Change.
Michigan: Detroit, MI Grand Rapids, MI Lansing, MI Ann Arbor, MI Flint, MI Kalamazoo, MI State Total	3,776,890 605,666 318,300 317,689 298,964 204,562 5,522,071	
Minnesota: Minneapolis--St. Paul, MN State Total	2,914,866 2,914,866	Name Change.

Mississippi: Jackson, MS Gulfport--Biloxi, MS State Total	347,693 236,344 584,037	Name Change.
Missouri: St. Louis, MO--IL Kansas City, MO--KS Springfield, MO State Total	2,156,323 1,674,218 282,651 4,113,192	
Montana: State Total	N/A	
Nebraska: Omaha, NE--IA Lincoln, NE State Total	819,508 291,217 1,110,725	
Nevada: Las Vegas--Henderson--Paradise, NV Reno, NV--CA State Total	2,196,623 446,529 2,643,152	Name Change.
New Hampshire: Nashua, NH--MA State Total	242,984 242,984	
New Jersey: Trenton, NJ Atlantic City--Ocean City--Villas, NJ State Total	370,422 294,921 665,343	Name Change.
New Mexico: Albuquerque, NM State Total	769,837 769,837	
New York: New York--Jersey City--Newark, NY-- NJ Buffalo, NY Rochester, NY Albany--Schenectady, NY Syracuse, NY Poughkeepsie--Newburgh, NY State Total	19,426,449 948,864 704,327 593,142 413,660 314,766 22,401,208	Name Change. Name Change.
North Carolina: Charlotte, NC--SC Raleigh, NC Winston-Salem, NC Durham, NC Greensboro, NC Fayetteville, NC Asheville, NC Concord, NC Wilmington, NC Hickory, NC State Total	1,379,873 1,106,646 420,924 396,118 338,928 325,008 285,776 278,612 255,329 201,511 4,988,725	
North Dakota:		

Fargo, ND--MN State Total	216,214 216,214	New TMA.
Ohio: Cleveland, OH Cincinnati, OH--KY Columbus, OH Dayton, OH Akron, OH Toledo, OH--MI Youngstown, OH Canton, OH State Total	1,712,178 1,686,744 1,567,254 674,046 541,879 497,952 320,901 295,319 7,296,273	Name Change. Name Change.
Oklahoma: Oklahoma City, OK Tulsa, OK State Total	982,276 722,810 1,705,086	
Oregon: Portland, OR--WA Eugene, OR Salem, OR State Total	2,104,238 270,179 268,331 2,642,748	
Pennsylvania: Philadelphia, PA--NJ--DE--MD Pittsburgh, PA Allentown--Bethlehem, PA--NJ Harrisburg, PA Lancaster--Manheim, PA Scranton, PA Reading, PA York, PA State Total	5,696,125 1,745,039 621,703 490,859 394,530 366,713 276,278 238,549 9,829,796	Name Change. Name Change.
Puerto Rico: San Juan, PR Aguadilla--Isabela--San Sebastian, PR State Total	1,844,410 232,573 2,076,983	
Rhode Island: Providence, RI--MA State Total	1,285,806 1,285,806	
South Carolina: Charleston, SC Columbia, SC Greenville, SC Myrtle Beach--North Myrtle Beach, SC--NC Rock Hill, SC State Total	684,773 590,407 387,271 298,954 218,443 2,179,848	Name Change. Name Change. New TMA.
South Dakota: State Total	N/A	
Tennessee: Nashville-Davidson, TN Memphis, TN--MS--AR	1,158,642 1,056,190	

Knoxville, TN	597,257	
Chattanooga, TN--GA	398,569	
Clarksville, TN--KY	200,947	New TMA.
State Total	3,411,605	
Texas:		
Houston, TX	5,853,575	
Dallas--Fort Worth--Arlington, TX	5,732,354	
San Antonio, TX	1,992,689	
Austin, TX	1,809,888	
El Paso, TX--NM	854,584	
McAllen, TX	779,553	
McKinney--Frisco, TX	504,803	New TMA.
Denton--Lewisville, TX	429,461	
The Woodlands--Conroe, TX	402,454	Name Change.
Corpus Christi, TX	339,066	
Lubbock, TX	272,280	
Killeen, TX	257,222	
Laredo, TX	251,462	
Brownsville, TX	216,444	
College Station--Bryan, TX	206,137	New TMA.
Amarillo, TX	205,860	New TMA.
State Total	20,107,832	
Utah:		
Salt Lake City, UT	1,178,533	Name Change.
Ogden--Layton, UT	608,857	
Provo--Orem, UT	588,609	
State Total	2,375,999	
Vermont:	N/A	
State Total		
Virginia:		
Virginia Beach--Norfolk, VA	1,451,578	Name Change.
Richmond, VA	1,059,150	
Roanoke, VA	217,312	
State Total	2,728,040	
Washington:		
Seattle--Tacoma, WA	3,544,011	Name Change.
Spokane, WA	447,279	
Kennewick--Richland--Pasco, WA	255,401	Name Change.
Bremerton, WA	224,449	New TMA.
Olympia--Lacey, WA	208,157	New TMA.
State Total	4,679,297	
West Virginia:		
Huntington, WV--KY--OH	200,157	
State Total	200,157	
Wisconsin:		
Milwaukee, WI	1,306,795	
Madison, WI	450,305	
Appleton, WI	230,967	
Green Bay, WI	224,156	
State Total	2,212,223	
Wyoming:	N/A	

State Total		
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